ALL ABOARD

With G. E. Mortimore

THE two little boys are not tall enough to look over the swinging door, but their father can hear them coming.

There is a high-pitched shout from the office lobby, and a face appears in the swinging door. A boy clutching a knitted rabbit hurtles across the room and lands on his father's knee.

The boys' father, who had been seated at a desk trying to do some work, leans away as though from a heavy wind, and braces himself for the arrival of his younger son.

Sure enough, the younger son (holding a shapeless black woollen dog) slams through the swinging door, points himself toward his father, sails through the air and lands with a bone-cracking thump on the other knee.

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While the two boys pummel and tug at their father (both talking at once) their mother makes her leisurely way in.

"Get them out of here," the boys' father says.

"Money, please," she replies.

"Daddy," says the older boy, "give us a ride in the thing. In the train."

The vehicle he has in mind is one of those big waste baskets on wheels.

Not long ago, the older boy couldn't see over the top of the big waste basket. Now the top of it reaches only to the middle of his chest, and even the small brother can look around comfortably.

So the boys' father lifts both of them into the waste basket and trundles them around the desks and chairs and back to the starting place.

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Luckily, it is early in the day, and there are not many people in the place. It seems to Daddy that the indulgent smiles of his co-workers are beginning to look a trifle strained.

"Get them out of here," he repeats to the boys' mother, talking from the side of his mouth.

Without a word, Mummy stretches out her hand, palm uppermost. Daddy plants a banknote in it. Promptly the boys' mother shepherds the two little creatures through the door and vanishes down the lobby, shooting a sly grin back over her shoulder.

The boys' father settles back in his chair and applies his fingers tentatively to the typewriter.

Aahh!" he sighs. "They're out of here. But its blackmail."

Wearily, he removes a piece of sticky candy from his desk and gets back to work.

MacLean Keynoter At Citizenship Meet

Heading the list of speakers at the Vancouver Island Citizenship Conference at 9 a.m. next Saturday in Victoria Public Library will be Dr. J. Beattie MacLean of Victoria College.

His speech on "What is Citizenship" will be the keynote of the conference which will bring together 60 delegates and observers from service organizations and community associations all over Vancouver Island.

Other speakers at the one-day conference will be Dr. J. W. Black, department of citizenship liaison officer in Vancouver, and Mrs. E. E. Livesay, first vice-president of the Victoria council.

Ship Calendar

Cabin for Everyone On Shell Oil Tanker

First oficial visit to Victoria of the Mv Tyee Shell on Thursday will be marked by a tour of inspection of the new Shell Oil Co. tanker for invited guests.

The 249-foot vessel was built at Sorel, Que., and went into service late last year. With a carrying capacity of some 15,000 barrels, she will operate on the company's coastal run, serving larger communities as far north as Prince Rupert.

Tyee Shell's range of operations may extend as far south as San Francisco. The company's other vessel, the smaller Western Shell, will continue to serve what officials call "the logging camp run," touching at smaller coast comunities.

On the Tyee Shell, the skipper controls full operation of the ship with a device like the gear shift in a car. She is able to carry cargoes ranging from aviation gasoline to crude oil, but mostly will carry light oil. Every member of the crew has his own cabin.

When she ties up early Thursday at the Shell Oil dock at Songhees, it will be the new tanker's third visit to the Inner Harbor, but company officials have designated it as the first "offical" call.

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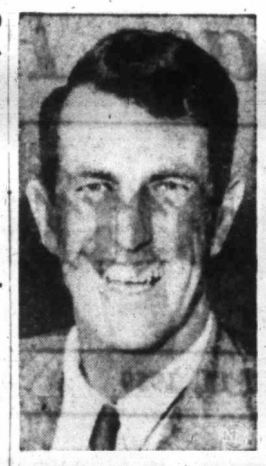
Merchant shipping in Island ports today includes the Deerwood, Crofton; Lakemba and Fernpoint, Chemainus; Ariana, Nanaimo; California Star, Waitemata, Kongsholm and Cae Horn, Alberni.



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Names in the News

97-Year-Old Hated 'Ding Dong' Radio

TORONTO—**Frank Duevall,** 97, possibly the oldest man ever to face a Canadian criminal court, has been acquitted of wounding two 31-year-old men.

Duevall, a frail 100 pounds, told a Supreme Court jury he used a two-by-two board to beat **Dennis Copan,** 210-pound six-footer, and **Maynard Revoy,** roomers in his home—but in self-defence.

He said they hit him when he turned off "the machine (radio) that was yelling with that ding-dong noise" at 4 a.m. Told Revoy might die, Duevall said: "He'd be better off dead if he can't live civil."

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VANCOUVER — **Bruno Walter** will conduct two concerts during the second International Festival beginning July 11, managing director **Nicholas Goldschmidt** said yesterday.

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AUCKLAND, N.Z.—**Sir Edmund Hillary,** who conquered Mount Everest in 1953, says he has twice invited the Chinese Communists by letter to join a 1960 expedition to scale the mountain's unclimbed northern face. They haven't answered.

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MONTREAL—**Premier Duplessis** may undergo a general physical examination at Boston's Leahy Clinic.

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TORONTO — Twenty early Canadian paintings by **Cornelius Krieghoff,** worth $100,000, will be presented as a gift to the people of New Brunswick by mining magnate **M. J. Boylen.** They'll be shown in the **Lord Beaverbrook** Art Gallery in Fredricton due to open in September.

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DUBLIN — **President Sean O'Kelly,** called the leprechaun of Irish politics because of his five-foot, four-inch height, leaves today for a U.S. tour.

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MELBOURNE—**Billy Graham** has announced that attendance in his month-long Melbourne crusade has been about 526,000. Of these 19,368 came forward to make "decisions for Christ."

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DETROIT — **Leon Hartent,** who says he has spent 69 of his 83 years behind bars, has been given another three years in jail, for attempted bank robbery.

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CAPETOWN—South African Defence Minister **F. C. Erasmus** has been stricken with a heart attack.

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KAMLOOPS — A German princess — **Margreta Wittgenstein** of Berlesberg, West Germany—has bought a 10,000-acre ranch at Alexis Creek in the Chilcotin country west of Williams Lake.

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BRANTFORD, Ont. — **Lt.-Col. John Firth,** 51, of St. George, Ont., was killed in an auto crash yesterday, four days after he was named commanding officer of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry.

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SANTA MONICA, Calif.—**Dick Powell,** 54, actor-director-singer, is reported "improved" in hospital, where he is being treated for bronchitis.

LA PLATA, Mo. — **Lester Dent,** 54, prolific fiction writer, died. He was the author of 280 Doc Savage adventure novels.

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VATICAN CITY—**Pope John** will broadcast the first Easter message of his reign at 11 a.m. PST Holy Saturday, March 28.

Obituaries

Henry Moulton Funeral Monday

Funeral services for Henry George Moulton, 66, a resident of Victoria since 1911, will be held at 1.30 p.m. Monday at Hayward's funeral home.

Mr. Moulton, who died Wednesday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, was born in 1892 in London, England. After coming to Victoria he worked as a painter and decorator.

He was well-known in local soccer and bowling circles, and was a member of the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators and an associated member of the Army, Navy and Airforce Veterans.

He is survived by two brothers, Fred and Frank in Victoria; two sisters, Mrs. Beatrich Westcombe, in Tujunga, Calif., and Mrs. Mildred Ainsley in Victoria.

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John Muir

Funeral services for John Muir, 70, a resident here for 47 years, will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at McCall's funeral home.

Mr. Muir, who died Thursday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, was born in 1889 in Bombay, India. Coming to Victoria in 1912, he joined the CPR organization. He retired in 1954 as electrical supervisor of the B.C. Coast Steamship Services.

He was a member of Victoria Lodge No. 1, A.F. and A.M.

Mr. Muir is survived by his wife at 3377 Quadra Street; a daughter, Mrs. T. W. H. Walker of Calgary; a son, James of Victoria, and a sister, Mrs. Dorcas Norton of Victoria.

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Fleet Move Hits United Front

Allies Furious at France

PARIS (AP) — France's virtual removal of its Mediterranean fleet from all NATO obligations Saturday stirred a bitter back-room fight in the Atlantic alliance.

Allied diplomats were appalled at the timing of the move—while the West is facing dangerous Soviet pressures over Germany and is working hard to present a united front.

Western diplomats did their best to put a good face on the French decision to retain command of their Mediterranean fleet in time of war. But the anger was there.

Even the French appeared taken aback by the irate reaction from their colleagues in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Officially, they would only confirm that the move was taken because of what France considers its special responsibilities in the Mediterranean. This means the guarding of links with Algeria, where a rebellion endangers vast French holdings.

Allied officials, however, view the order as one more step by President Charles de Gaulle to get a bigger voice in the Atlantic alliance.

U.S. diplomats were described as furious over the French action and the timing.

A British source agreed that "the most worrisome thing about it is the timing, during the Berlin crisis."

The big worry to the military men appeared to be that, if France can highhandedly withdraw forces pledged to NATO, other countries might some day follow suit. In that case, the heart of the alliance would be wrecked.

The French claim they were within their rights and that Washington and London were informed beforehand.

'Lovable' Banker Arrested

CHICAGO (UPI) — A quiet, self-effacing bank cashier—described by his boss as "the most lovable character you'd ever want to see"—has admitted to police he was responsible for a $465,000 shortage.

Rudolph Belasick, 34, the cashier, was fired earlier this week after the shortage was discovered in a routine examination of the bank's records.

Bank officials said the money has been restored by the bank and Belasick's bonding company.

Bank president Theofil Bulat fired Belasick, although he said he felt sympathy for the cashier, who apparently took the money only to cover friends' overdrafts.

"I don't think he kept any of the money himself," said Bulat. "It was just friendliness that got him into trouble."

Syria Attacked By Iraqi Jets

CAIRO (AP) — A United Arab Republic military spokesman said three Iraqi jet planes carried out a machine-gun-rocket attack Saturday about six miles inside Syrian territory.

The semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted a spokesman of the UAR 1st Syrian Army as saying the planes damaged a vehicle. No mention was made of casualties.

The statement distributed here said three Iraqi Fury aircraft attacked Syrian frontiers Saturday afternoon.

The Iraqi planes penetrated 10 kilometers (six miles) inside Syrian territory, attacked and damaged an isolated Arab car, using rockets and machine guns," the spokesman said.

Earlier, a radio Damascus broadcast heard in London said Iraqi planes had attacked a village about six miles inside Syrian territory.

Relations between Iraq and Syria have worsened since the government of Iraq's Premier Karim Kassem put down a revolt in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul last week.

A Nominating Convention of the Oak Bay Progressive Conservative Association

To choose a candidate to contest the Provincial Riding of Oak Bay in the next Provincial Election will be held at **8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24,** at the **Willows School, Oak Bay.** Only members in good standing will be permitted to vote, but all Conservatives in the Greater Victoria area are urged to attend to hear from the elected candidate and from the guest speaker **Alderman Reginald Atherton** of Vancouver.

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Weather Forecast

March 15, 1959

Cloudy with occasional light showers during the evening. Little change in temperature. Winds light, increasing to southeasterly 20 in the early morning. Saturday's precipitation, .10 inches; sunshine, two hours and six minutes.

Recorded Temperatures

High 45 Low 37

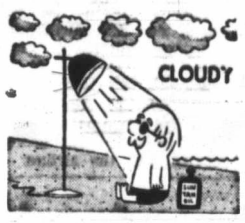
Forecast Temperatures

High 48 Low 38

Sunset 6.29 Sunrise 6.18

East Coast of Vancouver Island — Cloudy with a few light showers during the evening. Little change in temperature. Winds light except southeasterly 20 in Georgia Strait. High and low at Nanaimo, 48 and 35.

West Coast of Vancouver Island — Cloudy with continuous rain afternoon and evening. Little change in temperature. Winds southeasterly 20 to 30. High and low at Esteyan Point, 48 and 38.



TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.	Precip.
St. John's	14	21	.01
Halifax	23	35	.05
Montreal	16	33	--
Ottawa	7	36	--
Toronto	17	39	--
North Bay	22	31	--
Port Arthur	4	30	.12
Kenora	20	27	.01
Winnipeg	9	13	--
The Pas	-4	10	--
Regina	17	26	--
Saskatoon	8	23	--
Prince Albert	-1	17	--
North Battleford	5	25	--
Swift Current	21	26	Trace
Medicine Hat	19	29	.03
Lethbridge	24	35	--
Calgary	16	31	Trace
Edmonton	17	35	Trace
Kimberley	14	35	--
Crescent Valley	10	14	--
Kaslo	23	38	--
Kamloops	24	46	--
Penticton	28	44	--
Vancouver	32	45	Trace
Prince Rupert	32	41	.13
Prince George	16	35	Trace
Whitehorse	-25	5	--
Seattle	31	45	.03
Portland	35	49	--
San Francisco	44	64	--
Los Angeles	56	71	--
Spokane	22	40	--
Chicago	31	41	Trace
New York	32	47	--

TIDES AT VICTORIA
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
15	05.40	7.9	13.22	3.7				
16	06.19	8.7	08.16	9.8	15.48	4.4		
17	00.09	9.6	04.40	9.0	08.52	9.7	16.43	4.4
18	05.53	7.7	16.20	3.4				
19	06.06	7.7	17.16	3.2				
20	03.33	7.4	06.08	7.7	09.57	7.6	18.05	3.1
21	02.10	7.4	06.38	6.7	11.23	7.6	18.47	3.1
22	01.44	7.5	07.16	6.0	12.28	7.7	19.27	3.2
23	02.00	7.8	07.56	5.2	13.26	7.8	20.06	3.4
24	02.28	8.1	08.38	4.3	14.23	7.7	20.46	3.8
25	02.57	8.3	09.23	3.5	15.21	7.6	21.25	4.4
26	03.30	8.6	10.10	2.8	16.23	7.4	22.07	5.0
27	04.05	8.7	10.59	2.3	17.32	7.2	22.49	5.7

TIDES AT FULFORD HARBOUR
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
15	02.20	8.1	07.45	10.0	14.58	4.4	22.47	9.5
16	06.01	7.9	14.16	3.6				
17	06.24	7.8	15.16	3.5				
18	01.20	9.2	06.16	9.0	09.42	9.5	17.42	4.3
19	02.06	10.1	07.25	8.8	10.56	9.4	18.38	4.1
20	02.45	10.8	08.10	8.4	12.16	9.4	19.33	4.0
21	03.12	10.5	08.46	7.9	13.31	9.5	20.21	3.9
22	03.40	10.7	09.23	7.1	14.41	9.7	21.08	4.10
23	04.07	10.9	09.58	6.2	15.45	10.0	21.53	4.4
24	04.35	11.1	10.38	5.3	16.46	10.2	22.36	5.0
25	05.03	11.2	11.18	4.3	17.47	10.4	23.21	5.7
26	05.34	11.2	12.01	3.6	18.48	10.5		
27	00.08	6.5	06.05	11.1	12.46	3.0	19.54	10.6

Monday's Events

New members Ernest Benton, James Kininmonth, Babs Jaggard and Donald Telford will give their autobiographies at Victoria Gyro Club meeting at 12 noon, Empress Hotel . . . British-Israel World Federation public meeting at 8 p.m., Newstead Hall, 734 Fort Street.